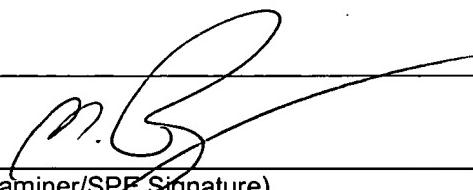
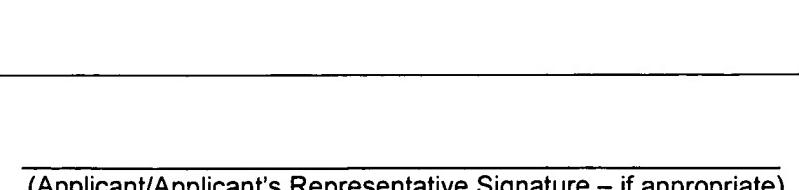


Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
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	Hwa C Lee	2672	
All Participants:		Status of Application: <u>non-final rejection mailed 06/14/2004 will be vacated</u>	
(1) <u>Hwa C Lee</u> .		(3) _____.	
(2) <u>J. Mark Wilkinson</u> .		(4) _____.	
Date of Interview: <u>15 December 2004</u>		Time: _____	
Type of Interview: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Telephonic <input type="checkbox"/> Video Conference <input type="checkbox"/> Personal (Copy given to: <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant's representative)			
Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If Yes, provide a brief description: _____			
Part I.			
Rejection(s) discussed:			
Claims discussed: <i>All claims regarding the restriction requirement</i>			
Prior art documents discussed:			
Part II.			
SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED: See Continuation Sheet			
Part III.			
<input type="checkbox"/> It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.			
 (Examiner/SPE Signature)		 (Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)	

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: The 1.181 petition on the restriction requirement has been fully considered and deemed persuasive by the examiner based on the assertions made by the applicant's attorney named above in the remarks filed 08/16/2004. The applicant is now on the record for stating that the MRI apparatus and the method for acquiring medical images of Group II are not patentable without the details of the subcombination. Since the applicant has stated for the record that the limitations of the "GUI" recited in Group I and Group II are in fact the same limitations, The examiner is inclined to agree with the applicant and remove the restriction requirement. Specifically, the applicant states that the "modularizing selectors" of Group I is the same as the "modularizing tabs" of the Group II; and that the "messaging module" of Group I is the same as the "displaying prescription windows" in claim 20 and displaying messages in claims 30-31. The claims in Group II will be examined together with Group I and the limitations recited by the applicant to be the same limitations will be treated as such for the purpose of claim rejection in the next office action. With this in mind, the examiner agrees to removing the restriction requirement. The applicant is advised that the non-final rejection mailed 06/14/2004 will be vacated, and a new office action incorporating all claims will be sent out shortly. Thus there is no time period pending against the applicant until the new office action is mailed. .



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